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SUBJ: PUERTO RICO IN UN COMITE OF 24

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1. COMITE OF 24 PLENARY WILL BEGIN CONSIDERATION OF
PUERTO RICAN ITEM AUG 16. FIRST SPEAKER WILL BE CUBAN
PERMREP ALARCON WHO IS EXPECTED TO DELIVER USUAL LONG
HARANGUE. PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDISTAS ACTIVELY LOBBYING
IN UN CORRIDORS AND HOLDING DEMONSTRATIONS OUTSIDE UN
BLDG.

2. TEXT OF COMITE OF 24 WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATION TO
PLENARY ON PUERTO RICO SUMMARIZED REFTEL IS AS FOLLOWS:

"AFTER DISCUSSION, THE WORKING GROUP AGREED BY CONSENSUS
THAT, IN ORDER THAT A FULL EXAMINATION OF THIS QUESTION
MIGHT BE MADE AND WITH A VIEW TO PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY
TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE COMITE AND SUCH OTHER NON-
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MEMBERS OF THE COMITE AS MIGHT WISH TO DO SO, TO EXPRESS

THEIR VIEWS IN THAT REGARD, THE QUESTION MIGHT MOST APPROPRIATELY BE EXAMINED AT PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE SPECIAL COMITE.

"THE WORKING GROUP WAS ALSO INFORMED OF THE REQUESTS FOR HEARING RECEIVED FROM THE PUERTO RICAN SOCIALIST PARTY AND THE PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE PARTY. BEARING IN MIND THAT THE SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS OF THE QUESTION ARE CLOSELY LINKED TO THE PROCEDURAL ASPECTS WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF THE FOREGOING RECOMMENDATION, THE WORKING GROUP AGREED THAT THE SPECIAL COMITE MIGHT WISH TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUESTS IN CONNEXION WITH ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE QUESTION."

3. LETTERS FROM PUERTO RICAN SOCIALIST PARTY AND INDEPENDENCE PARTY CIRCULATED AS ANNEX TO WORKING GROUP'S REPORT (A/AC.109/L.902). SCALI UNQUOTE ROGERS

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